City of Veneta

Community Profile

Population 2,795
Location Veneta

Position Description

Sponsor City of Veneta
Supervisor Brian Issa
Community Services
Director

Assignment Small City Government and Natural Resource Planning. The City of Veneta was incorporated in 1962. With an ever growing population, the City has a rural small town feel but each day many residents commute to the Eugene-Springfield area for work. The City provides the following services: animal control, planning, economic development, parks & recreation, public safety, and water management.

The RARE participant placed with the City of Veneta is focusing on three projects. The first project is the implementation of the 5-year Water Conservation Program developed and implemented by last year's RARE participant. The participant is responsible for implementing established strategies for 2010-11. The participant’s second project is to develop a scope of work for an emergency response plan and carry out the scope of work throughout his term, culminating in an adopted plan. Finally, the participant is developing incentives to encourage downtown development.

RARE Participant

Kyle Roberts grew up in Hood River, Oregon. He received a BA in Geography and a BS in Sociology from the University of Oregon. Kyle has had a lifelong interest in the way communities are planned, function, and interact with the natural world. Recently, Kyle interned at the City of Creswell where he co-authored the Creswell Downtown Plan. Following his year of service, Kyle is interested in pursuing a Master's degree in Community and Regional Planning. Ultimately, he hopes to become a city planner.